

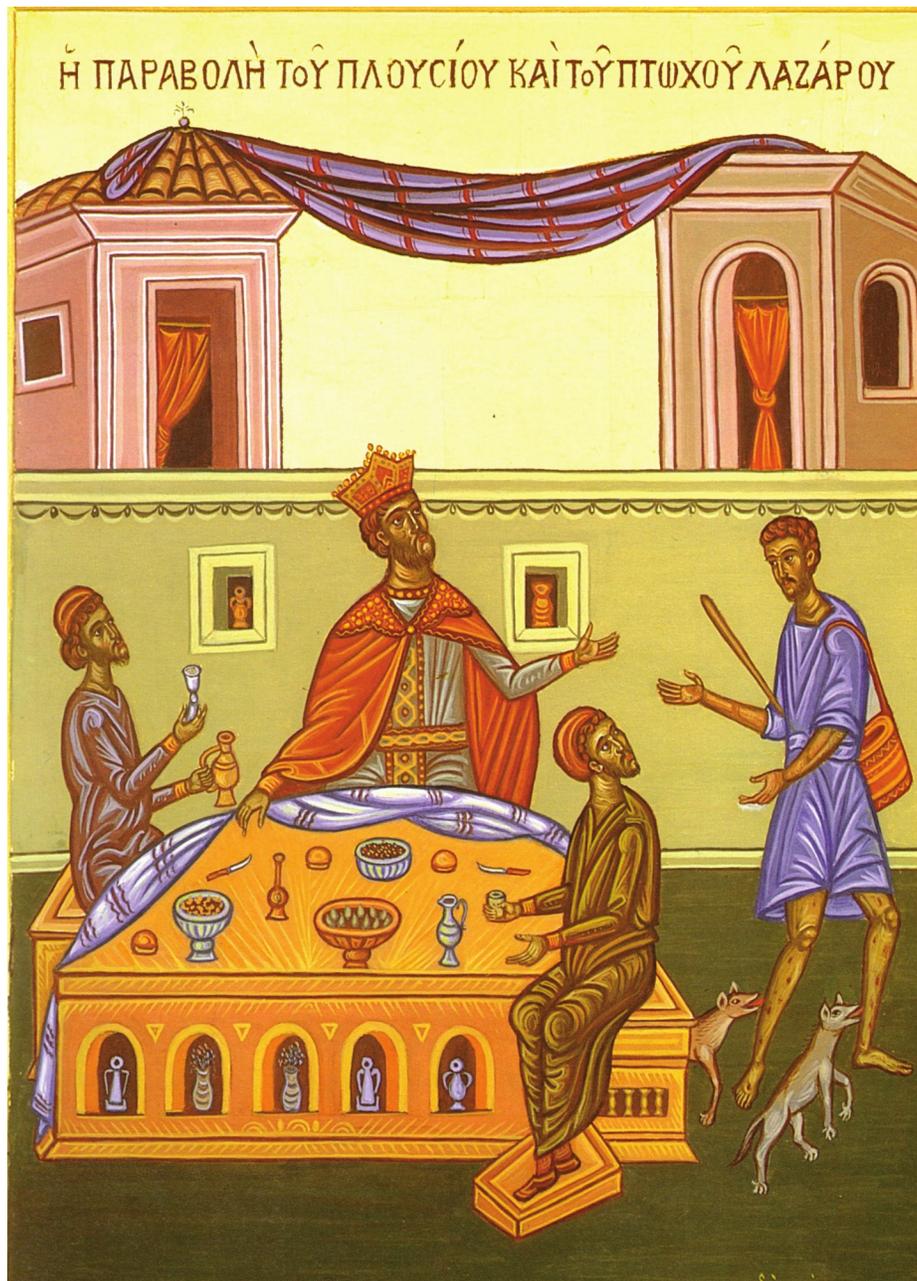


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Icon of the Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus

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Divine Liturgy

Hymns

Troparion of the Resurrection (tone 3): Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad! For the Lord has done a wondrous deed by his arm! He has crushed Death by his death becoming the first to rise from the dead. He has delivered us from the mouth of Hades and bestowed great mercy upon the world.

Troparion of the James, Brother of the Lord: O Holy James, as a disciple of the Lord, you received the Gospel; as a martyr, you displayed an unyielding will; as a brother of the Lord, you have special power with Him; as a pontiff, you have the right of intercession. Intercede therefore

with Christ God that He may save our souls.

Troparion of St. George: O Great among the saints and glorious martyr, George, since you are a deliverer of captives, a doctor for the sick and a noble attendant to kings, intercede for us to Christ God, that he may save our souls!

Kontakion: O never failing Protectress of Christians and their ever-present intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

Prokimenon: Sing praise to our God, sing praise! Sing praise to our King, sing praise!

Stichon: All you peoples, clap your hands! Shout to God with cries of gladness!

Apostolic Reading: Gal 1:11-19

BRETHREN, I give you to understand that the Good News that was announced to you by me is not of man. For I did not receive it from man, nor was it taught to me [by man], but I received it by a revelation from Jesus Christ. For you have heard of the way I lived before in Judaism: how I persecuted the Church of God and ravaged it beyond measure. And I advanced in Judaism above many of my contemporaries in my nation, showing much more

zeal for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased Him Who from my mother's womb set me apart and called me by His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, immediately, without taking counsel with flesh and blood and without going up to Jerusalem to those who were appointed apostles before me, I retired into Arabia and again returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went to Jerusalem

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to see Peter, and I remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles, except James, the Lord's brother.

Alleluia: In You, O Lord, I have hoped: let me never be put to shame. In Your justice, save me and deliver me.

Stichon: Be for me a protecting God, a sheltering house to save me.

Gospel: Gerasine Demoniac, LK 8: 27-39

At that time when Jesus came to the country of the Gerasenes there met Him a certain man who for a long time was possessed by a devil, and wore no clothes, and lived in the tombs, not in a house. And when he saw Jesus, he fell down before Him, and crying out with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with Thee, Jesus, Son of the most high God? I pray Thee, do not torment me." For he was charging the unclean spirit to go forth from the man. For many times it had laid hold of him; and he was bound with chains and fetters, and kept under guard, but he would break the bonds asunder, and be driven by the devil into the deserts. And Jesus asked him, saying, "What is thy name?" And he said, "Legion," because many devils had entered into him. And they entreated Him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a herd of many swine was there, feeding on the mountainside. And they kept entreating Him to give them leave to enter into them. And He gave them leave. And the devils came out from

the man and entered into the swine; and the herd rushed down the cliff into the lake and were drowned. And when the swineherds saw what had happened, they fled and reported it in the town and in the country; and people came out to see what had happened. And they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the devils had gone out sitting at His feet, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those also who had seen it reported to them how he had been saved from Legion. And all the people of the Gerasene district besought Him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear. And He got into a boat and went back. But the man from whom the devils had gone out prayed Him that he might remain with Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to thy house, and tell all that God has done for thee." And he departed, proclaiming throughout the whole town all that Jesus had done for him.

Stewardship

Last Sunday: ordinary collections=\$231.00; donations=\$205.00. Thanks for your generosity!

Owed to eparchy (assessment, retirement and medical insurance; last updated September 18, 2022): \$37,586.

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Prayer List

Please remember—All those who are sick and in need: Alice Herro*, Nick Langenfeld, Barb Moden (sister of Jan Taylor), Eva Nora (niece of the Noras), Bob Peterson, Joe Radanovich, the Rebholz family, Eva Saseen (Theresa and Janelle Herro's niece), Jan Taylor, Kathy Tomaz, John Zambo and Kathy Zambo. For those we have been asked to pray for: Justin & Krysten Hager (Jan Taylor) and Carl Wallenmeyer (Jan Taylor). For those who have died: Mary Fisher (aunt and godmother of Benjamin Neumann)

* Please particularly remember Alice Herro who has been having health issues recently.

Schedule for This Week

Wednesday: *Great-martyr Demetrius*

Sunday: *Fifth Sunday after the Holy Cross*
10:30am Divine Liturgy

COVID-19

According to the Milwaukee Health Department, the best way to stop the community spread of COVID-19 is to take preventative action to protect yourself and others:

- Get a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as you can (city.milwaukee.gov/CovidVax). Vaccines are safe and readily available at walk-in clinics throughout the community for anyone over the age of six months old.
- Wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth to help protect yourself and others, and stay at least 6 feet apart from others who don't live with you.
- Avoid crowds and poorly ventilated indoor spaces, and improve ventilation whenever possible.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water aren't available.

More information is available from the health department: city.milwaukee.gov/coronavirus

Adorn the Church but Do Not Neglect the Poor

Do you wish to honor the body of Christ? robes but neglect him outside as he is perishing of cold and nakedness.
Do not neglect him when he is naked. Do
not honor him here inside with silken

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The one who said, "This is my body," and established the fact by his word, is also the one who said, "You saw me hungry and did not give me to eat," and "As much as you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do to me." The body of Christ in the Eucharist has no need of garments but of a pure soul; the body of Christ outside needs much care.

Let us learn how to become wise and to honor Christ as he wishes. 'Thus, render him the very honor which he himself pre-

scribed by spending your wealth on the poor. God has no need of golden vessels but of golden souls.

Now in saying this,] am not hindering you from making such votive offerings as these. I am insisting that, along with these and before these, you give alms. He accepts the former but is much more pleased with the latter. Do not decorate this house and neglect your suffering brother. He is more truly a temple than this building.

From a Homztly of St. John Chrysostom

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